

Senate Resolution 357

By: Senator Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Recreation and Park Association, Inc., on its Georgia Children's
2 Outdoor Bill of Rights; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Recreation and Park Association, Inc., adopted the Georgia
4 Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights due to recent concerns about youth detachment from
5 outdoor activities, lack of physical exercise, and increased health risks; and

6 WHEREAS, the Outdoor Bill of Rights provides that every child should have the opportunity
7 to discover Georgia's past, splash in the water, play in a safe place, camp under the stars,
8 explore nature, learn to swim, play on a team, follow a trail, catch a fish, and celebrate their
9 heritage; and

10 WHEREAS, it is the objective of the Georgia Recreation and Park Association that every
11 child in Georgia should have the chance to experience each activity listed in the Outdoor Bill
12 of Rights by the age of 14; and

13 WHEREAS, studies show that participation in each of the activities in the Outdoor Bill of
14 Rights will lead to good citizenship, improve fitness, foster volunteer and community
15 service, promote positive social behavior, improve quality family time, and develop stronger
16 and all around more productive Georgians.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 commend the Georgia Recreation and Park Association, Inc., for recognizing the need to
19 promote healthy and active children in Georgia and applaud the organization's Outdoor Bill
20 of Rights for guiding children and families of Georgia on a path to success.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
22 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Recreation and Park
23 Association, Inc.